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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am deeply distressed by efforts of the large telecom semi-monopolies like CenturyLink to suppress local Internet Service Providers like mine, Gorgenet, which serves the region surrounding the Columbia River Gorge. Gorgenet supplies phenomenal, personal, customer support at competitive prices. Such service is essential for the barely computer literate such as myself. When my Internet connection goes down, Gorgenet always busts ass to get it up again, without charging special service fees. The big providers must not be allowed to disadvantage the smaller players that depend on their copper or optical cable, especially in rural areas like mine, where overhead cost per capita tends to discourage investment.

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